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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Docket No, NHTSA-04-17326- 4
Docket Management, Room PL—401
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Re: *Procedures for Participating in and Receiving Data from the National Driver Register Problem Driver Pointer System*

The **American Trucking Associations, Inc. (ATA)** extends its support of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's proposal to amend the National Driver Register (NDR). This amendment would require states, before issuing or renewing a motor vehicle operator's license, to verify an individual's driving record through informational checks of both the NDR and the Commercial Driver's License Information System. We commend the agency for its effort to institute this change mandated in the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999 and, by doing so, curtailing commercial motor vehicle operators from attempting to use multiple licenses to avoid the consequences of traffic violations.

ATA is the national trade association of the trucking industry. ATA is a united federation of motor carriers, state trucking associations, and national trucking conferences created to promote and protect the interests of the trucking industry. Our membership includes more than 2,500 direct dues paying member trucking companies and industry suppliers of equipment and services. Directly and through its affiliated organizations, ATA represents over 34,000 companies and every size, type and class of motor carrier operation.

We appreciate this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

David Osiecki
Vice President of Safety, Security
and Operations

Sincerely,

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